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SPIRIT OF PEASANT REFUGEES IS ADMIRATION OF SOLDIERS WRITES IRMA BOY AT FRONT

Take a Trip With Gunner J. R. Love Through Battle-scarred France By Reading His Realistic and Descriptive Letter Written Especially for Times Readers.

(By Gunner J.R. Love)

"C'est la guerre! C'est la guerre!" Only a soldier on active service can grasp the full significance of this most common and every day expression of the French people. For the poor unfortunate refugee, and the poverty stricken peasant, C'est la guerre! is the universal answer to all their troubles, trials and tribulations. Here within sound of the guns are thousands of people, young and old, male and female, who have lost everything that is worth while living for except life itself. Their homes have been transformed to ashes, their farms to trenches and shell holes. When the 'Allemand' pounced upon them their worldly possessions were confiscated, and their happy peaceful families scattered to the four winds. During the moment of supreme excitement they fled westward for safety.

Thus today in rear of the battle-line are scores of these poor unfortunate people waiting calmly and contentedly for the day when they may return to the ruins and fragments of their former existence.

It is these people whom the Canadian soldier has adopted as brothers, sisters and mothers while on active service. You may ask how these simple, kind, little victims of war have captivated the Canadian soldier? By their attractiveness of beauty and social manners? No! Judging them by Canadian standards they, as a rule, would be classed as homely. The Parisian style of grace and beauty is found wanting among these humble folk. Nevertheless their features are aglow with the attributes of health and simplicity. However it is not these alone that wins the soldier's admiration.

Is it their cleanliness and manner of living? No! They are unfamiliar with Canadian customs of cleanliness and ways of sanitation. However we must not judge them by their present existence for we are unacquainted with their prewar manner of living. Their present environment barely consists of the plain, simple, crude necessities of life. Any antiquated ramshackled house, barn or shed is their 'Home Sweet Home' for the duration of the war. They certainly are the personification of simplicity and economy. Luxury and extravagance are unknown to a refugee. For these people, one room may serve as kitchen, dining-room, parlour and bed-room. Their ability of adaptation is only excelled by that of the modern soldier. However it is not these qualities alone that the soldier admires. Then what is it? We find our question answered as soon as we reveal the spirit and motive that prompts the expression "C'est la guerre!"

No one in all the world has more grounds for discouragement than these poor people who have lost in life that is worth living for. Are they disheartened because of their hardships? Are they discouraged because of their misfortunes? If they are it is revealed, to no one. For months they have been living on the bitter fruits of war yet they never have a complaint to offer. The most disastrous events and appalling destructions that death and war may bring, are received by these people with almost perfect calmness and unmoved emotion. The most serious affairs

of war scarcely excite their passions. Perhaps, way back in 1914, these people passed through their Garden of Gethsemane. Now, no burden of war is too heavy for them to bear. Unlike the pre-war Frenchman, the power of self-control over one's deepest emotions, passions and desires, prevails among these humble peasant refugees. From the youngest pichinniny to the aged 'grand-mere' it is these simple folk who have taught the Canadian soldier much in the art of enduring hardship accepting disaster and overcoming fear. It is this wonderful spirit peculiar to these poverty-stricken victims of war that has won the admiration of everyone on active service. Through their cheerful, contented disposition, and industrious ways they have done much to make the life of a soldier more comfortable.

If you will use your imagination I will give you a more realistic introduction to these friends of ours. Suppose we take a day off and visit a few of these humble people. As we stroll along the road from the battery position to the village. We are soon hailed by the old familiar expression, pay-per! We look up and notice two little lads about 12 and 14, coming down the road. Unlike our Canadian newbies who abound with energy and enthusiasm, these lads are not instilled with the spirit of aggressiveness. These 'no-vices' are not hustlers in the newsway game. Owing to lack of keen competition they are unconcerned as to who should sell the most papers. When one is 'rushed' he simply points to his partner and exclaims, 'Mon camarade beaucoup papers! Me almost fini!' As they approach you stop them, buy your paper, and being inquisitive, ask them a few simple questions. From the vivid characteristic answers you learned of that 'petite garcon' who has lost an arm is the sole survivor of a once happy family, and the elder lad is his cousin. His misfortune arouses your sympathy. As you begin to express your feelings you expect to see the little fellow burst into tears, but to your great surprise, he cheerfully looks up and exclaims, 'Ah Oui! C'est la guerre.' and goes on his way. Thus you have your first introduction to this wonderful spirit of the French peasants.

Day after day, sunshine and rain shell fire and blizzard, these little fellows bring us the 'Daily Mail' in order that we may know what is going on in the big world about us.

As we enter the dirty semi-ruined village, a little girl with a basket of 'sweets' approached and exclaims, 'chocolates, oranges, monsieur!' As with the little newsy, when you have helped to lighten her basket you find her abounding with information. These little children of France are all attention, and are exceedingly quick to comprehend the meaning of a soldier's poorly spoken French. Noticing the little girl clad in rags you attempt to express your sympathy, but again you receive the answer, 'ce ne fait rien! C'est la guerre!' and with a smile she hastens away to join her companions.

I now take you down to an old dilapidated building. As you give it the once over you notice over the door the word 'Estaminet' and on either side of the huge cracked window a card. On one card is written in English 'Eggs and chips' on the other 'Washing done here.' You

are immediately impressed that the occupant of this quaint old domicile must be an industrious up-to-date, wide-awake individual. We enter and are greeted by a cheerful contented, simple, middle-aged woman in a shabby old home-made dress. 'Bon jour monsieur! Asseyez vous ici!' We seat ourselves behind a plain rough table, on a home-made bench. As we gaze about the room we noticed on the opposite side an old fashioned French bed, and at the back of the room a large kitchen stove. This completes the necessary furniture of a refugee's home. Clothes are boiling on the stove and on a rope stretched behind it are shirts and pieces of underwear in the process of drying. The 'petit garcon' who has just come in does all the advertising and delivery work in connection with this thriving laundry business. The sight of a basket of nice eggs on a shelf reminds us that the result of a long walk is usually a 'bon appetite.' So remembering the sign on the front window we ask 'La Madame' 'Avez vous des eggs and chips madame?' 'Ah! Oui! Monsieur! combien des eggs pour vous monsieur? Beaucoup bon eggs aujour d'hui!' Thus through the medium of that special brand of French spoken only by the troops on active service, we place our order, and 'carry on' an informal conversation on our congenial 'madame' who is now cracking eggs on the edge of the frying pan. While we are indulged in this plain wholesome dinner, 'La Madame' relates her experiences of trial and misfortune in escaping from the hands of the 'Allemand.' Vivid and realistic as is her story of hardship, she tells it as though it was an everyday affair. During her discourse the guns 'open up.' We wonder what is going on up the line. We inform 'La Madame' that the artillery 'beaucoup bombard.' Being a woman we would expect her to show signs of nervousness but 'La Madame' simply says, 'C'est la guerre! Ce ne fait rien!' and continues her story. Thus you become acquainted with these wonderful people, who know not what it is to fear, nor what it is to be discouraged. It is this spirit of 'La Madame' that has won the affection of every soldier on active service. The Allemand may rob them of their worldly possessions and treasures, but they cannot quell nor steal this unique spirit which has aroused and stirred the heart of every soul in France. Perhaps many of them may truthfully say 'We have lost our all, no one can lose more.' Whatever maybe the nature of the fountain from whence this spirit springs, these people are resolved to bear without a murmur or complaint, the heaviest burdens that war may bring to them.

The heart of France maybe beating from loss of blood but as long as her soul is inspired by the brave and unconquerable spirit of the humble French refugee, she will live triumphant over death and disaster. Truly these poverty stricken peasants are the Joan d' Arcs of modern France. They smile at misfortune and speak of hardship as 'Ce ne fait rien! C'est la guerre!' It is nothing. It is the war.

Open Real Estate Offices.

Two new buildings are being erected on Main street, these will both be used as Real estate offices, one by the Ransom Land Co. of Calgary and Nanton, and the other by Messrs. Wyatt & Hardy, local men. It is to be hoped that through the efforts of these offices more settlers will be induced to settle in the district.

Larson Comes Back.

Victor Larson arrived Wednesday with a car of settlers' effects from Minnesota. Victor is an old-timer in the district but went back to the States about three years ago but now there is no place like Irma.

Church Services.

Sunday, March 31st, 11 a.m. at Orbindale. 3 p.m. at Elliotts. 7.30 p.m. at Irma. Everybody welcome. G. Hockin, Pastor.

FILL OUT AND FILE INCOME TAX FORMS

Income War Tax Forms Must be Filed Before March 31st, or Suffer Penalty.

It was inevitable that an income war tax law should have been placed on the statute books. The growing demands made upon Canada, as one of the free nations of the world, engaged in the life and death battle with the forces of barbarism, and the necessity of distributing the burden as equitably as possible, made the imposition of a tax, based on ability to pay, merely a matter of time.

All the great nations engaged in the conflict have found it necessary to make the income tax one of their principal sources of revenue. Among the more striking evidences of the will to win in these times of sacrifice, is the spirit with which the people of Great Britain—upon whose shoulders rests the major portion of the war's financial burden—are going about the work of supplying the sinews of war. The people of France and the United States are as cheerfully doing their part and it is a foregone conclusion that the people of Canada, already injured to sacrifice, will make of the income war tax an opportunity to serve the holiest cause which has ever engaged the attention of mankind.

Like the fathers of the American Revolution, the free peoples of the earth have dedicated their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor, to the cause which they espouse. The call upon the fortunes of the people of Canada is to take the form of a graduated tax on all incomes of \$1500 and over enjoyed by all unmarried persons, or widowers and widows without dependent children, and of \$3,000 and over enjoyed by all other persons, as well as by all corporations and joint stock companies.

The Department of Finance is now calling for the filing of the necessary forms, filled out as required, before the 31st of March. While penalties for failure to carry out the requirements of the act are provided, it is confidently expected that the people of Canada, jealous of their right to play a major role in the conflict, will respond to this latest call in a spirit of quiet patriotism.

Choral Society.

Last Wednesday evening the Irma Choral Society held its final rehearsal when about fifty members and friends were present. It was decided to hold another meeting on Saturday evening, April 6th, to discuss plans for the summer.

Tennis Fans To Meet.

All those interested in lawn tennis are invited to attend a meeting at the Drug store next Wednesday evening when plans for the summer will be discussed.

Ross School Mystery.

Anyone having any information leading to a clue concerning the black board mystery of the Ross school should notify chief Nick Carter or either of his assistants, the All-seeing-eye or Sherlock Holmes as they are very busy investigating the mystery and we will soon need them in the fields if we expect to win the war.

Like.

CANADIANS LAUNCH GREAT GAS ATTACK

In the Greatest Battle of All Times Now Raging Canadians Distinguish Themselves.

Canadian headquarters in France, March 21st.

While German and British troops were struggling, far to the south, in the opening clash of the spring campaign, the greatest projector gas bombardment in the world's history was carried out by the Canadians tonight against enemy positions between Lens and Hill 70. Sharply at 11 o'clock a signal rocket gave notice of its beginning. A moment later over five thousand drums of gas, simultaneously released from projectors, were hurled into enemy territory from the outskirts of Lens to Cite St. Auguste and Bois de Dix Huit. From his front lines and strong points favoring winds carried the clouds back upon the enemy's dugouts, support reserves and assembly areas.

The whole front was lit up with flares which could be dimly seen through the heavy mist, while the men in our lines could hear the enemy's gas alarm and cries of distress from the hostile trenches. Nine minutes later our field artillery, supported by heavy guns and trench mortars, opened up with a slow bombardment increasing in violence until, 40 minutes later, the enemy positions were swept with high explosive, creeping barrage which raked his forward and rear areas with high explosives.

Caught by our gas, without a moment's warning, and caught again as he was emerging from his shelters, by our artillery, the enemy's casualties must have been very heavy for the effectiveness of our smaller gas operation had been eminently proved by the evidence of prisoners, and tonight's bombardment was three times greater than anything of its kind ever attempted by us on the western front and much greater than anything ever launched by the Boches.

Personal Paragraphs

Remember the hard time dance April 5th.
Mr. J. Craig is building a barn for R. Williamson.
Mr. H. W. Love spent Sunday and Monday at Edmonton.
The Merchants' Bank have installed a long distance phone.
Mrs. C. A. Toll is spending the week end in Edmonton.
Mr. W. H. Madden is spending the holiday in Calgary.
Mr. J. W. Wyatt spent Sunday in the Capital.
Mr. G. W. Stott is painting the new barn for Mr. J. R. Brown.
Mr. H. B. McCully has moved on the Haynes farm northwest of Irma.
Mr. E. J. Fois has shipped a car of settlers effects to Irma this week.
E. T. McDowell has his office finished over with beaver board and painted.
Mrs. B. Stimson was taken to the hospital at Edmonton on Tuesday night.
Mr. J. Burr who has been spending the winter in Northfield, Minn., returned to Irma Monday.
Mr. J. Z. Vene of the Alta. & B. C. Land Co. was in Irma last week.

TRAWLER WORK IS MOST DANGEROUS SAYS IRMA SAILOR

Seaman Writes Letter of Very Interesting Experiences Encountered.

Writing from 82 Railway View, Sandport, Portsmouth, England, under date December 8th, 1917, A. J. Barker, an Irma, Alberta, recruit to the Royal Naval Canadian Volunteer Reserve, says:

"I have been doing service on a trawler for some time and have just come home on five days' leave. We put in all our time in escorting ships to France and in patrol duty. We put in fourteen days at sea and six in harbor. It is a continual strain day and night, but we are here to get the subs and pick up crews in distress, and we are sometimes kept busy, so we have to have a rest in harbour.

"I must say the trawler section does the hardest and most dangerous work and is the least appreciated, but when it is all told they will come in for their share. We all like the trawlers. It is more free from the regulations of the navy—I mean small things like discipline, of which we have just the same as the navy—but what you wear and things like that. We can wear anything decent to keep us warm. The last time out the trawler I am on landed a sub. We brought in some prisoners. Most of them went down with the sub.

"We see some terrible sights in our work, but we don't mind them now. It seems part of our work when we are used to it, and nerves, you don't have any. We keep five-hour watches night and day. We come off watch, go below and turn in just like you were going to bed at home. You forget about mines and subs when you are used to them.

"Well, I shall be out for Xmas and will miss the Xmas dinner, but won't mind that as long as we are doing our bit in this war.

"I see by the papers there is an election on over there. It will come out in our favor by the talk of the soldiers.

"Things look a bit down just now, but if everyone hangs together we can win alright, especially if Canada enlists the women for war work, as they have done in this country. We must take our hats off to the ladies for the work they are doing in this war."

RED CROSS NOTES

Coal Springs held a Red Cross Box Social and Dance in the school house on Monday, March 25th and from the sale of boxes and small lunch bags the handsome sum of \$191.00 was realized.
Owing to the bad roads the attendance was small, but they were a sporty bunch and out to help the good cause.

NOTICE

The Irma chopping mill will be open on the 4th and 5th of April. It will be closed after that date until after seeding when further notice will be given as to when it will be open again.

T. Coulman.

Butter Scarce

Good butter is very scarce and the town people and some farmers would appreciate it if some farmers would bring a supply to town.

Humphrey P. May**BARRISTER**

Main St. - Wainwright

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Canadian Girls In Training.April 12 to 14, the dates for the
Girls' Conference, are near at hand.
Have you sent for our registration
blank yet? If not, do so at once, as
all registrations must be in by the
10th of April.The programme is now being
printed, and promises to be most
interesting. "Are You Triangular
or Are You Round?" is announced
as the subject of one of Miss Zeig-
ler's addresses to girls. There will
be some stirring choruses in which
you can all join, and the Edmonton
girls are hard at work rehearsing
"The Wayside Piper." It will be a
splendid play. The Lieutenant Gov-
ernor has invited you to come in a
body to Government House.Everything is working out fine so
far. It will be a great conference
girls. There are good things, too,
numerous to mention, in store for
you. Do not miss it. Plan somehow
to get here.For more information write to
Miss Jessie F. Montgomery, Con-
ference Secretary, Dept. of Exten-
sion, University of Alberta, Edmon-
ton South.**Mobilization of Farm Labor.**The department of Agriculture
is localizing the work of the Pro-
vincial Labor Bureau by establish-
ing offices in different parts of the
Province. Offices are already open
at Edmonton, Calgary, Lethbridge
and Medicine Hat, and an office
will be opened at Red Deer, on
April 1st.It will be the business of officials
at these points to secure as com-
plete information as possible as to
needs and to distribute available la-
bor to meet the needs. Farmers
should write to the agent of the
Local Bureau at the nearest point
stating their wants, the special work
to be done, and the wages they are
prepared to pay. Those desiring
work may likewise write telling
what work they are prepared to do
and the wages expected.A special function of the local
bureaus will be the enlistment of
those not necessarily accustomed to
farm work, both men and women,
who are prepared to go out for the
season or for shorter periods, espe-
cially in haying and harvest, dur-
ing the summer from the cities and
towns. It is not expected that wo-
men or girls from towns will be able
to free others who can. The chief
limitation for increased production
with which farmers are confronted
is the scarcity of labor and it is hoped
that the establishing of local in-
telligence offices and clearing houses
will result in inducing a larger pro-
portion of our total population to
give their efforts to the single and
definite end of producing more food
from the soil in 1918.**For Prisoners of War.**The German authorities have is-
sued a memorandum to the effect
that parcels for prisoners of war in-
terned in Germany must be ad-
dressed to the "parent" (or main)
camps to which the prisoners belong
and must not bear the names of any
branch or working camps or of any
other place to which the prisoner
might be detailed for special ser-
vices.The memorandum states that
prisoners who have been detailed
for services outside the "parent"
camps have been enjoined by the
German authorities from the very
first, to inform in this sense any re-
lations or other persons from whom
they expect to receive postal pa-
rcels. Parcels for prisoners of war
in hospitals also come within the
meaning of these regulations.In the interests of the prisoners
it is therefore essential that theseregulations should be strictly ad-
hered to as otherwise the German
authorities will not deliver the pa-
rcels to the prisoner of war for which
they are intended, and it is sug-
gested that persons in Canada when
writing to prisoners in Germany
should ascertain definitely the name
of the "parent" (or main) camp
so that they can comply with the
regulations of the German authori-
ties in addressing parcels to pris-
oners.R. M. Coulter, Deputy Postmas-
ter General.**Oleomargarine.**Oleomargarine has now been sell-
ing in Canada for a month or more,
but not long enough as yet for far-
mers to decide definitely just how
it will affect the butter market.
When first offered on the Canadian
market the substitute had a great
sale. The great majority of Cana-
dian consumers had never seen ole-
omargarine, much less eaten it. It
was well advertised in advance and
curiosity alone probably counted
for a good percentage of the first
sales. Several grocers say that they
are now selling more oleo than but-
ter and the market for dairy butter
has weakened until the retail price
is only a few cents in advance of
the "over-the-counter" price on
oleo.Choice creamery butter, however,
is selling higher than ever and it is
not improbable that, as a result of
allowing oleo into Canada, much
cream, once made up at home, will
be diverted to the creameries.But consumers are not satisfied.
During the campaign for the remov-
al of the restrictions on the import-
ation and manufacture of oleomarg-
arine, consumers were led to be-
lieve that the product could be sold
for 20 cents, or even less. In fact,
in not a few letters that appeared
in the city press the price of certain
ingredients, entering into the man-
ufacture of oleo, were quoted at 10
and 12 cents a pound and the im-
pression was left that the product
itself would not cost much more. It
was false hopes such as these that
made the clamor for oleo so insis-
tent. And now that consumers have
gotten what they asked for, they
find that the retail price is 36 to 38
cents, or not very much cheaper
than butter.The sale of oleo is hemmed about
with many restrictions. One of the
best is that it cannot be colored and
coloring materials cannot be sold by
anyone who deals in oleo. All the
oleo sold in Canada, so far, how-
ever, has contained a good percent-
age of creamery butter which gives
it the yellow color that consumers
associate with good butter. Cana-
dian dairymen, however, have not
forgotten that the admission of
oleo is only a war measure and are
prepared to agitate for the old re-
strictions as soon as peace is declar-
ed. But others doubt if they will be
successful. The best work the dairi-
men's association can now do is to
see to it that present restrictions
are maintained, added to when it
seems necessary, and strictly en-
forced.—Hoard's Dairyman.**KNOTT KNITTER.**John Nott could not knit so he
invented a knitter which would knit
and which Nott called the "Nott
knitter." But the Nott knitter
could not tie a knot; and Nott there-
fore had to tie the knots which the
Nott knitter could not knit. But
one day Nott while not tying knots
for the Nott knitter, invented an
attachment for the Nott knitter
which could knit knots and he called
the "Nott knitter." And when the
Nott knitter was attached to the
Nott knitter the Nott knitter
could knit knots like the Nott knitter
for the Nott knitter. Then Nott
fell in love with a knitter who knit-
ted knots with the Nott knitter for
the Nott knitter, and he asked her
not to knit knots any longer but be
a Nott forever. But the knitter said
"nit."—Exchange.M. Mockenburg, optician at
Irma drug store again on Thursday
April 18th.**Don't Get in This Fix.**The Portland (Me.) Review pub-
lishes the following revised version
of an old story, which will be found
interesting."Did you ever hear of the man
who was too economical to take his
home paper, but sent his little boy
to borrow the copy taken by his
neighbor. In his haste the boy ran
over a four dollar stand of bees,
and in ten minutes looked like a
warty summer squash. His cries
reached his father, who ran to his
assistance, and, failing to notice a
barbed-wire fence, ran into that,
breaking it down, cutting a handful
of fish-bait out of his anatomy and
ruining a four-dollar pair of pants.The old cow took advantage of the
gap in the fence and got out into
the cornfield and killed herself eat-
ing green corn. Hearing the racket,
the wife ran, upset a four-gallon
churn full of rich cream into a bas-
ket of kittens drowning the whole
flock. In the hurry she dropped a
seven-dollar set of false teeth. The
baby, left alone, crawled through
the spilled cream and into the par-
lor, ruining a brand-new twenty-
dollar carpet. During the excite-
ment the eldest daughter ran away
with the hired man, the dog broke
up eleven setting hens, and the
calves got out and chewed the tails
off of four fine shirts.**Odd Superstitions.**If you shiver, someone is walking
over your future grave.When your noses itches some-
thing will soon happen to vex you.When your right eye itches it is
a sign of good luck; when your left
eye, of bad luck.When rooks desert a rookery it
forebodes the downfall of the family
on whose property it is.A spider descending upon you
from the roof is a token that you
will soon have a legacy from a
friend.Candles and other lights are sup-
posed to burn blue and dim when
invisible beings are present, espe-
cially if they be evil spirits.If you have any white marks on
your nails, commonly called "gifts"
you may expect to get as many
gifts as there are marks as soon as
these get up to the nail ends, in the
course of their natural growth.If you see the new moon through
glass you will have ill luck through-
out the month. If you see it in the open
and turn the silver upside down in
your pocket you will be wealthy for
the month.**Do You Need Farm Help?**The Department of Agriculture is
going to assist the farmers to secure
competent farm help, and all far-
mers in this district should see the
local secretary of the U. F. A., who
has this matter in hand. It is im-
perative to hand in your names at
once.**More or Less Funny**One married man is said to have found
a new way to do his bit for his country.
His wife makes him try on the soldier's
garments she is knitting to see if they fit.A few days ago a rather bashful young
woman went into a store carrying three
chickens. She enquired the price of
chickens and at the same time put them
on the counter. The clerk did not know
the chicken's feet were tied, and asked
if they would lay there. She bit her hand-
kerchief and said: No sir; they are roosters.It happened somewhere in Jarrow.
He had accompanied the young lady to her
home for the first time and was wonder-
ing if he would dare to steal a kiss. He
suddenly threw all caution to the
winds and stole a resounding smack. "Oh,
thank you, sir," she said.If you are visiting at a friend's home and
being invited to supper should find on the
table some dishes that you didn't like, you
wouldn't rear around and kick over the
table and make a fuss about it. The News
is an intellectual spread and if there are
any items in it you can't agree with, don't
get excited about it. Just bring the paper to
the office, point out the objectionable
article, and we will take our scissors and
cut it out for you.An exchange gives an incident that
shows the impossibility of telling where
the trouble resulting from a mortgage
will end. A man mortgaged his farm to
buy his wife a pair of earrings. The wife
took in washing to pay the interest on
the mortgage, and the first day lost one
of the diamonds in the suds and tried to
hang herself in the barn, but the rope
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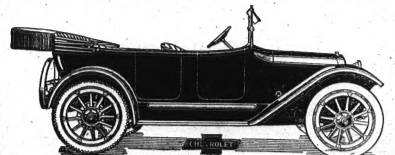
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VIKING

There is a scarcity of houses to rent in town.

R.C. Reese, of Irma, spent Sunday in town. Mr. Reese is grain buyer for the Wyatt elevator at Irma.

F. W. Venner and family arrived from Amisk, Alta, last week and were guests at the hotel for a few days before securing a residence. Mr. Venner is the new manager of the Farmers elevator.

Dr. G.E. Story has sold his drug business to Mr. H.C. Cooke of Edmonton, who takes possession the first of next month. Dr. Story will in future devote his entire time and energy to his practice. Mr. Cooke who has been manager of Lines Drug store, is an experienced druggist and will be found worthy of patronage.

Walter Watkins returned on Sunday from Brule, Alta. where he has been employed in the mines during the winter months. He will devote his time this spring and summer in putting in the crop on the farm near Lake Thomas, and also do some breaking and plowing with the new Titan 10.20 that has been purchased to help increase production and save time and labour on the farm.

The combination clean-up sale held by A.A. Long brought a large crowd of farmers to town last Monday. Everything from a clothespin to a big Clyde horse was offered for sale and everything went at a good figure. Business was brisk in every store and all the merchants did a thriving business. Spring is opening up and farm work will soon start in earnest when the farmer will not find time to come to town as often as in the colder months. A.A. Long is to be congratulated on the success of the sale and the day as a whole. All the buyers and sellers were a satisfied lot when they wended their way home.

False Impression of R. F. C. Rules Corrected

Lieut. MacNamara, the officer in charge of recruiting for the Royal Flying Corps in this district, has written, asking us to correct the false impressions held by many men who come under the Military Service Act, that they must wait until they have been drafted into a Depot Battalion before they can make application to join the Royal Flying Corps.

On the contrary a man who is liable to draft should make application at once, in order that the necessary steps may be taken for his immediate enlistment into the Royal Flying Corps. Further information may be obtained from the nearest representative who is Mr. M. Greer, Mayor of Wainwright.

L.I.D. No. 424.

Minutes of a special meeting of the Council for the Local Improvement District of Kinsella No. 424, held at Kinsella on Wednesday, February 27th, 1918.

Councillors present: Messrs. Firkus, Pendleton, Ward, Lambden and Lennox.

Ward-Lennox—That minutes of previous meeting be approved as read. C U

The report of the delegates to the Convention of Local Improvement Districts and Rural Municipalities at Edmonton, February 6th to 8th was submitted, and favorably received.

Lennox-Lambden—That a vote of appreciation be tendered the delegates, Messrs. Ward and Lennox for the excellent report. C U

Firkus-Lambden—That the 1918 affiliation fee for the Local Improvement District be forwarded to the Sec'y-Treas. of the Association of Rural Municipalities. C U

Lennox-Lambden—That payment of \$25.00 each to the delegates be authorized, in lieu of expenses attending the convention. C U

Ward-Lennox—That the Sec'y-Treas. take necessary procedure for the immediate collection of tax arrears, and that in the event of seizures and necessary expense incurred, same be guaranteed to the Sec'y-Treas., and that expenses of collection be charged as per the L.I.D. Act for Distress of Taxes. C U
Pendleton-Firkus—That the Department of Public Works be requested to survey a roadway from the southwest corner of Section 4-46-10, East and along lake, also a diversion between Sections 19 and 20-45-10, with.

Lambden—Ward—That a survey be requested for roadway across Section 35-46-11, from a point at or near the northeast corner of the northwest quarter to the southwest corner of the same section.

That the blind lines between sections 18 and 19 and Sections 1 and 12-46-11, with, be surveyed and opened for road-way, and that diversions be surveyed along the west side of Section 18.

That a diversion be surveyed at a point along the line of the south roadway between Sections 11 and 12-45-12, with.

Lennox-Lambden—That a survey be requested of blind-line and roadway opened from the northeast corner of Section 4-46-10, to the northeast corner of Section 5-46-10, with.

Pendleton-Ward—That the Sec'y deal with the correspondence, and also secure prices on road-building machinery.

L.I.D. No. 424, Minutes: Accounts presented, General: M.H. Ward, council fee & mil \$12.00
Irma Times, stationery 26.50
Western Mun. News, sup. 12.58
C.J. Knudson, on account 100.00
" " stationery, post. 13.25
B. Smith, rent, coun. meet. 2.00
Division No. 5.
Joseph Beschell, error in Time Sheet 1917 per S. Bushaw, Foreman, one day \$5.00

Lennox-Lambden—That all accounts be paid as read.

Ward-Pendleton—That we adjourn to meet at Jarow, upon the call of the Sec'y-Treas.

C. J. Knudson, Sec'y-Treas.

POPULAR WANTS.

FOR SALE—Seed oats, Abundance variety. G.A. Green, Irma. 8uf.

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Is England Going Dry?

Brewers' Profits Have Been Doubling With Rhythmic Regularity Since the War.

The chorus of "Beer, beer, glorious beer!" once popular in the London music halls, could really be heard sung at the recent meeting of the directors of Allsopp's Brewery in London. The profits the chairman blithely announced had been doubling with rhythmic regularity since the war began. In the days before the war there had been lean years under the sign of the Red Hand. But a country war seems to be rapidly drinking Allsopp's back into prosperity. In 1914 the profits were £13,048; in 1915 £13,835; in 1916 they had risen to £20,791; whilst in 1917 they reached the comfortable sum of £27,655. Wonder the chairman generally informed the gathering that the directors were not grumbling. And certainly there should have been the response from the shareholders, "Are we downhearted?"—**Christian Science Monitor.**

Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia

A man, overtaking a couple of friends, heard his own name mentioned, and asked what it was they were saying of him. "Well," answered one of them, "to tell the truth, we were disputing as to whether you are more fool or rogue." "Taking an arm of each he said: 'I think that I can best settle that—I believe I am something between the two.'—**Tit-Bits.**

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The British Navy

The British navy has vast responsibilities. It patrols great areas of sea; it has to meet the constant development of insidious methods of attack by submarine and by mines; and the quantity of shipping that it has to protect offers a plethora of opportunity to an enterprising foe. The truth is that the British navy is engaged in an hourly contest of wits against the inventiveness of Germany. With their battleships penned in home waters, the Germans are plying the proof in devising subordinate methods of inflicting loss upon the British fleets and the commerce protected by them. We must not be unreasoning in our expectations.—**London Daily Telegraph.**

YES! LIFT A CORN OFF WITHOUT PAIN!

Cincinnati man tells how to dry up a corn or callus so it lifts off with fingers.

You corn-pestered men and women need suffer no longer. Wear the shoes that nearly killed you before, says this Cincinnati authority, because a few drops of freezone applied directly on a tender, aching corn or callus, stops the pain at once and soon the corn or hardened callus loosens so it can be lifted off, root and all, without pain.

A small bottle of freezone costs very little at any drug store, but will positively take off every hard or soft corn or callus. The shoe is tried, as it is inexpensive and is said not to irritate the surrounding skin. If your druggist hasn't any freezone tell him to get a small bottle for you from his wholesale drug house. It is fine stuff and acts like a charm every time.

It Might Be True
Proverbial inability of the British to understand American speech was illustrated again at Newmarket, Harbottle, recently. Secretary Baker was on an inspection tour. In going from one house to another he had to stretch a stretch of water. A British cruiser was nearby and the commander, in an inquisitive mood, signalled to the American war vessel asking what was in the boat flying the official flag. "The secretary of war," said the response. "Thank you," said the Britisher. "Don't mention it," said the American. Then the British whistled once more. "You may trust us. The matter will be kept secret," is what he said.—**The Argonaut.**

A teacher was giving an exposition on culpable homicide. "If I went out in a small boat," he said, "and the owner knew I was taking, and I got drowned, what would that be?" After a few minutes' silence he asked the class to repeat. "A holiday for us, sir,"—**Vancouver Province.**

Miller's Worm Powders do not need the after-effect of castor oil or any purgative to complete their thoroughness. One dose of them, and they will be found palatable by all children, will end the worm trouble. They are made of stomach and bowels untenable to the parasites. And not only this, but the powders will be certain to exert most beneficial influence in the digestive organs.

"You simply cannot trust anybody. Everyone seems so dishonest nowadays," declared the woman. "My maid, in whom I had the utmost confidence, left me suddenly yesterday and took with her my beautiful pearl brooch."

"That's too bad," sympathized the friend. "Which one was it?" "That very pretty one I smuggled through the spring,"—**Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.**

Great Head Work

"What is the secret of Wyse's success?" "When a debtor tells me to call the next day at four, he calls at three and catches him in."

Germany's Intentions
Germany Cannot Win, and the Leaders Know It
German leaders are indulging in much senseless prattling about ultimate victory. But this is only a means to blind the non-combatant elements of the population. In their hearts these leaders know that the victory about which they babble is impossible in this war. Germany cannot win, and the leaders know it. Therefore, we have seen all the force of the German propaganda here as in Europe exerted toward peace. Not yet beaten but fearing that she must be if the war continues to its logical conclusion, Germany wants peace while the situation is such that she can recover from the war more readily than her enemies. Then, when the next war comes, which Germany will provoke when she is ready for it, the victory which has now been deferred will be attained. This situation exists because the German leaders feel that there is still hope of bringing about the desired end. On the map she is victorious; her enemies are weary and are waiting long for the day of peace, to dawn when nations may escape from the all-absorbing, all-consuming business of war and return to their normal life. This is all true. And Germany, realizing its truth, is using every means to advance the cause of peace, so that she may avert the pending crash.—**World's Work.**

Maple Sugar Wanted

Every pound of maple sugar produced this spring adds to the food stock of the country at a time when every pound of foodstuffs is needed. Maple sugar makes a sure of a market for every pound of pure maple sugar and syrup they produce.

Millionaire Means Varied Amounts

It Depends Altogether on Where You Are Living
America has always been conceded to be the land of the millionaire, just as it is popularly supposed to be the land of material opportunity. As figures talk, the claim has never been disputed. Now the world is startled by the most recent financial returns attesting to American prosperity and showing that the nation actually had an increase of many thousands in the ranks of Croesus and Midas during 1916.

The whole point in this census of wealth revolves round the question of what is a millionaire? Want it Mark Twain, who when entertaining two or three friends to a simple restaurant in London, America, was alarmed to find himself bankrupt on receiving the waiter's bill in hundreds of thousands of Portuguese reis, until a lengthy computation revealed the amount of equivalent only to a few dollars. A man in England is a millionaire until he has five times the amount required to make an American millionaire, and in France he is already one with five times less than the latter. In Germany, on the other hand, a man has reached the millionaire rank, but only five times less than is required for America.

And as to the countries where Portuguese coinage is current, one overvalued dollar of the stupendous value, in reis, which a street car conductor might possess, is a millionaires' bill for 5,000,000,000 reis in his vest pocket, merely to buy his wife a modest present—and well, where would a Rockefeller or a Carnegie of Westminister be? Can they talk of paltry billions?

Minard's Liniment for Sale Everywhere.

Germany's Economic Resistance

The inherent resisting power of Germany has been underestimated by her enemies from the first, however, for in the first or even the second year of the war few could have found who would agree that at the end of three years it would be found that Germany was not only proving her food and material position instead of dying of starvation as was freely predicted.

Each passing year, however, sees the German economic position more deeply and permanently undermined. There is no longer any loss of the passing of each quarter. Under these conditions it can be but a matter of time before the German economy and materials put an end to the power to resist the growing strength of the blockade now enforced by the British.

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"People should marry their opposites." "Most people are convinced that they did."—**Winnipeg Telegram.**

No surgical operation is necessary in removing corns if Holloway's Corn Cure is used.

War and Food

No. 10—VEGETABLES

Generally speaking, people are more inclined to eat vegetables in winter than in summer. The reason for this is not so easy to get for another thing, the system does not seem to demand them in the summer.

To stop using vegetables in winter is to deprive the body of the most valuable food. The winter means using more than one should of other foodstuffs which ought to be going overseas.

It is patriotic to eat vegetables. It means that you eat meat and wheat. When you eat potatoes and carrots and onions you are not depriving the soldiers of anything, but you are saving meat and flour for them.

In Canada great quantities of vegetables are grown. On the farm especially the cellar is usually well stocked in winter with potatoes, carrots, onions, turnips and cabbage. Great variety can be given to the daily menu by the use of vegetables. They are excellent for the children, and especially if they are made and put through a sieve. Doctors claim that the tired-out feeling that comes over people in winter is due to lack of vegetables which contain much mineral matter, are invigorating and serve as a tonic to the system.

The winter vegetables are particularly good when combined with sweet soups and stews. They could conceivably of a tasty stew without its quota of carrots and onions? The winter vegetables lend themselves to many forms of cooking. They can be stewed, boiled or baked. They can be used in stews, with soup or covered with a simple sauce.

The water in which vegetables are cooked should never be thrown away. It is best of all to bake or steam the vegetables. Then the vegetable salts are not washed away. It is a rule that both the farmer and the city dweller may safely follow.

Carter's Little Liver Pills

For Constipation

A vegetable remedy that always gives prompt relief in constipation. Banishes that tired feeling altogether and puts you right over-night, stimulates the Liver gently, but quickly restores it to full and healthy action, and the stomach and bowels to their natural functions. Making life worth living.

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Winter's Discipline

Come Easier in Winter

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Mr. J. E. Jones, 228 University Avenue, Kingston, Ont., writes: "I have had a bad case of eczema on my hand for nearly all one fall and winter with it, and could not work for days at a time. He tried different salves and ointments, but none cured me. I then tried Dr. Chase's Ointment, and it gave almost instant relief. He continued to use it and in six weeks the second box when he was cured. It is now about five years since then, and it has never returned. We certainly can recommend Dr. Chase's Ointment, and are very grateful for my brother's cure."

(Rev. S. E. Coffman, Vineland, Ont., states: "This is to certify that I know Mrs. Thwaites and the party to whom she refers, and her statements are correct.")

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How Germans Surrender

Cannot Understand Why Briles are Not Accepted by Their Captors

In describing some "hands up" stunts on the part of German prisoners taken at Guillemont, a sergeant recently returned wounded to his home in Southern Alberta says: "An officer—pastor and elder—went on his knees before an embarrassed British sergeant, and still another, according to the non-commissioned officer who told me his experiences, 'hung to him and asked to be taken home.' They pronounced it very well. I fancy they practice saying it in their front line trenches. They came running up to the captors from craters and shallow hiding places in the broken earth, holding their hands up, money, personal effects, and all the antiques they could carry off. They were taken by their captors."

An officer captured in the quarry with 24 men—four of them wounded and already ticketed for a German clearing station—offered his gold watch worth at least £30, to the officer who took his surrender. When it was refused, he held it out to a sergeant, and then to a private, and finally let it back in his own hands, a puzzled look. They cannot understand their captors."

An agricultural night school has been opened in Chicago to teach men and women how to make the most of their backyard war gardens.

Sugar Situation in Europe

Before the war England received approximately 1,400,000 long tons of sugar per annum from Germany and the Netherlands. France produced about 750,000 long tons of beet sugar and exported 50,000 tons. The French production in 1917 fell to 210,000 long tons. Before the war Italy produced about 210,000 long tons and imported almost none.

STORMY WEATHER

HARD ON BABY

The stormy, blustery weather which we have during February and March is extremely hard on children. Conditions make it necessary for the mother to keep them in the house. They are often confined to overcast, chilly, and rainy days, and catch colds which rack their whole system. To guard against this, a box of Baby's Own Tablets should be kept in the house and an occasional dose given the baby to keep his stomach and bowels working regularly. This will not fail to break up colds and keep the health of the baby in good condition till the brighter days come along. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Gold and Silver

Cannon Balls

How a Woman Prevented the Enemy From Capturing the Treasure

"Once upon a time in the nineteenth century—the rich city of Almadenar, in Hinduistan, was besieged by the conqueror Akbar. The ruler of the city was a woman, the Princess Kande. Further details of the story are not given, but Akbar was already reckoning up the value of the treasure of gold and silver in the city. The old man carried it home and found, on scratching it, that it was worth eight hundred and eighty pounds, and was worth nearly \$2,000.

She—"Have you ever been wounded in an engagement?" He—"Oh, yes; when my fiancé broke off our last one—I was fearfully cut up."

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No. 3.....	155
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No. 1.....	225
No. 2.....	220
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No. 1 NW.....	360
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Eggs, per doz.....	45
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LOCAL NEWS

Get your Formaldehyde in ori-
ginal jugs at the Co-op.

A big picnic will be held on May
24th under auspices of the Irma
branch of the Oddfellow Lodge.

Mr. E. T. McDowell has been
making repairs to his office neces-
sitated by the recent fire.

Come one, come all, to the Co-op
hall for the hard time ball.

W. D. Ransom of the Ransom
Land Co. spent Saturday inspecting
land in the district.

Formaldehyde is scarce this sea-
son, it will pay you to get your
supply early.

Mrs. Parriet returned last week
from Des Moines, Iowa, where she
has been spending the winter.

Several farmers intend starting
seeding this week and we expect
quite a lot of wheat will be sown
next week.

Mr. C. Oldham has arrived with
a car of settlers effects from Mount
Albert, Ont. and is settling north-
east of Irma.

The attention of our readers is
called to the special Good Friday
services and the special Easter Sun-
day services at the church.

Mr. Geo. Goodalls has shipped
two cars of settlers effects from
Hamilton, Ont. to Irma and is
starting farming in this district.

The Irma Chop Mill will be open
on the 4th and 5th and will be
closing after that till after seeding.
Farmers should take advantage of
these two days.

Mr. F. J. Foss has moved on the
C. Young farm. Mr. Foss moved
here from Clarkson and has bought
the half section known as the
Young farm.

Mr. W. Graydon of South Ed-
monton spent Sunday and Monday
with R. J. Tate and E. T. McDow-
ell. While here he received word
from Toronto that his father died
on Saturday.

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the present land-owners of the district.

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experience in farming, ranching and the stock
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- 1 very small Gelding, same brand, dark color.
- 1 Bay Gelding, branded **2** on right flank, white
face, indistinct brand on right shoulder.
- 1 Bay Mare branded **JC** on right shoulder.
- 2 Bay Mares, branded **K** on right jaw, rising 2 yrs.
- 1 Bay mare, branded: two arrows with half circle above,
on left flank, also **-7** on left shoulder, white face.
- 1 Bay Gelding, rising 2 yrs, white spot in face.

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